

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

Personal and Literary.

Mrs. Mary G. Gale, of Manchester, N. H., left \$50,000 to found a home for aged and indigent women.

Mrs. Bayard Taylor is making the translation for her husband's "Book for Boys," which will be published in Germany.

Mrs. E. B. Granniss, a quiet little bundle of energy weighing only 90 pounds, is editor and proprietor of the *Church Union*. She holds tight reins, and in her team of assistants drives seven doctors of divinity tandem.

Charles Fenno Hoffman, a noted litterateur of the old *Knickerbocker Magazine* days, recently reported dead, is still living at the age of 70, in the State Lunatic Asylum at Harrisburg, Pa., and his insanity is less obtrusive than for many years. It is now 26 years since his retirement from the world.

Miss Susan B. Anthony has done a noble thing, which deserves to be widely known. She has lectured 120 times during the season, it is said, and has paid off the last of the debt of \$10,000 which she was compelled to assume in the failure of the *Revolution*. In the days of its weakness, Miss Anthony courageously took the *Revolution*, and became financially responsible for it. That she has felt obliged to work for years after its failure to pay its debts, at a time when thousands of men avail themselves of the privileges of the Bankrupt act, is a phenomenal exhibition of moral sensitiveness and personal honor. A woman is thoroughly qualified to lead for the claims of her own sex when she respects the rights of human nature so keenly.—*Demorest's Monthly*.

School and Church.

The debts of 31 of the fine churches in New York City make a total of about \$1,500,000.

Three colored men have been ordained preachers of the Lutheran Church in North Carolina.

At Los Angeles, Cal., eight Chinese have recently been baptized and received into the Presbyterian Church. Three of them were attacked and severely beaten by other Chinese in consequence.

Eleven Methodist Protestant Conferences have voted in favor of the convention which will meet next year to consummate the union of the Methodist and Methodist Protestant Churches. These two Churches, originally one, were divided by the late war.

At a certain Normal College the young ladies who are candidates for graduation are obliged, before receiving a diploma, to spell correctly the following list of words: Anomalous, analogous, banditti, bigoted, capillary, chloroform, crystalline, desecrated, ecstasy, edible, embarrassment, farinaceous, glycerine, hemorrhage, impaneled, lachrymal, liquefy, marauder, murrain, nutritious, Olympian, pharmaceutical, pleurisy, sacerdotal, sarsaparilla, tortoise, vitreous, vicissitude, zephyr, Zouave, bacchanal, Portuguese, Piedmont, Valparaiso, Yenisei, Cincinnati. We commend the list as good practice for any body.

On account of the death of the late Bishop James, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, there is now no Methodist Bishop resident in New York. At the recent annual meeting of the Board of Bishops the places of their residence were therefore readjusted, the right of choice going by seniority, according to the rule adopted by the General Conference. The following order was thus settled upon: Bishop Scott, the senior Bishop, will live at Odessa, Del.; Bishop Simpson, the next in seniority, at Philadelphia; Bishop Ames, at Baltimore; Bishop Bowman, at St. Louis; Bishop Harris, at New York; Bishop Foster, at Boston; Bishop Wiley, at Cincinnati; and Bishop Merrill, at Chicago. The places of residence of Bishops Andrews, Haven, and Peck were not determined upon, they being absent.

Science and Industry.

American sewing-machines which sell for \$65 here are shipped to England and sold for \$20. Something curious in that.

San Francisco will lay 130 miles of pipe from the Sierra Mountains to the Water-works. The iron is ordered from St. Louis.

The ship *Galatia*, which has been chartered to convey a cargo of cotton from Richmond to Liverpool, will take out 3,000 bales compressed, at 13-32 of a penny per pound, or about \$13,150 freight for the cargo.

In southern Utah, from a silver mine of considerable depth, petrified wood is taken, in which there is chloride of silver worth nearly \$1,000 a ton. The formation is sandstone, out of which horn-silver is taken. This shows that the deposit of silver was made subsequently to the surrounding of the wood by the sand that afterward became the sandstone.

Connoisseurs of cigars are making the discovery that Brazil affords an article equal to if not surpassing the best Havanas. A tobacco trade of 36,000,000 pounds per annum has already grown up between that country and the United States, and the competition with Cuba will tend, probably, to lower the price of the world-renowned cigar of that island. There was a good display at the Exposition of the variety of cigars grown and manufactured in the province of Bahia, and costing there from \$25 to \$30 per thousand, and having all the characteristics of Havana cigars.

An exchange gives information concerning a method in practice among the best English butter-makers for rendering butter firm and solid during hot weather. One teaspoonful of carbonate of soda and one teaspoonful of powdered alum are mixed, and at the time of churning put into such a quantity of cream as will make about twenty pounds of butter. The effect of this powder is

to cause the butter to come firm and solid and sweet-flavored. Its action is upon the cream, and passes off with the buttermilk. The ingredients of the powder should not be mixed until the time when it is used.

Haps and Mishaps.

A foolish lad, residing in the family of John Moulton, a butcher, at Gorham, Me., was left in charge of an infant, and, imitating what he had seen, he killed the child, skinned the body, and cut and hung it up.

Gustave Fetting, a young man of Delphos, O., having been out on a hunting excursion, returned home, and, wishing to unload his gun, discharged its contents at random into one of the out-buildings. His aunt, Mrs. Wiberger, an aged lady, who was occupying the building at the time, received the shot, most of them entering about the head. Her injuries were supposed to be fatal.

The boiler in the wooden-ware works of Milton Frost, at Detroit, Mich., exploded on the 7th, instantly killing a boy named August McDodge, breaking the leg of a workman named Joseph Dowd, and badly scalding Reuben Bryan. There were also some minor casualties and a bad wreck of a valuable property, by which several hundred workmen are thrown out of employment.

At Fort Snelling, on the 7th, James McCann, formerly a soldier of Company H, 20th United States Infantry, committed suicide by throwing himself on a buzz saw attached to wood-sawing machinery. He stood watching the operations, and suddenly rushed up, throwing his head down in front of the saw. Before the horror-stricken workmen could reach McCann's side, his head was fairly severed, leaving the two bleeding parts hanging to the neck, and presenting a spectacle of a most ghastly and sickening description. McCann was serving out a term of military imprisonment for desertion, and was not crazy.

Odds and Ends.

When Tom Thumb voted at the last election three-year-old Connecticut boys stood around and looked disgusted because that little shrimp could and they couldn't.

In carrying a turkey in the presence of strangers it is a breach of etiquette to stop more than twice to spit on your hands and get a new hold.—*Norristown Herald*.

There are some delicate impulses that a good woman can not resist; she can not hesitate to put three hair-pins and a spare shoe-lace into the first shaving-mug she sees. Women are better than men in this respect.

George Eliot says that the peculiar waving motion of the feelers of the common cockroach are not indicative of evasion or contempt, but are the expressions of an earnest soul vainly striving to grasp a vanishing idea.

The King of the Fiji Islands has been presented with a pair of suspenders. He wears one around his neck and the other around his waist, and declares that they are a great convenience, and he doesn't know how he ever got along without 'em.—*Norristown Herald*.

Every four corners has a revival in its school-house now, but the fact that the wood-drawers still continue to put the best sticks on the outside of the loads leads us to infer that the mild influence of prayer is falling short of its perfect work.—*Fulton Times*.

A little boy was asked what time it was. He answered "Twelve." "I thought it was later than that," replied the questioner. "It don't never git no more than that in these diggings," replied the youngster. "Just as soon as it gits up to twelve it starts at one agin; don't never git no higher in this bottom."

Miss Reeve, Superintendent of Schools in Franklin County, has resigned to accept the superintendency of one man. The work will be harder and the salary smaller, but then the situation is more permanent, and she won't have to canvass the county for re-election every two years.—*Hawkeye*.

There is no nonsense about Sojourner Truth. She especially criticizes the white women, because with all their privileges of culture and professions of Christianity they accomplish so little unselfish good. To one audience she said: "Wid all your opportunities for readin' an' writin' you do not take hold an' do anythin'." My God, I wonder what you are in the world for." And to another: "What for you all rushin' to hear Moody and Sankey? Ebery one ob you goin' to see Moody and Sankey. What you 'spec-dat dose two men goin' tote all you women to hebbin'?" And then, in solemn warning, "I tell you it's the doers of the world, not the hearers, God wants."

Foreign Notes.

It is a costly honor to be Lord Mayor of London. It cost the last incumbent of the office about \$85,000 to maintain its dignity, which sum is said to be \$25,000 less than it cost Sir A. Lusk. The salary of the office is not more than \$25,000.

Sir Curtis Lampton is believed to be the only instance of an American accepting and bearing an English title since the independence of the colonies. Sir Curtis, a great friend of George Peabody's, who spent the last year of his life in his house, acquired a large fortune in the fur and iron trades, and took a leading part in the first Atlantic Cable Company.

Tally 37. The Duchess of Edinburgh has another daughter. That makes 37 children and grandchildren in the family of Queen Victoria, all but three of whom are living. The Duchess of Edinburgh is very regular in her habits. Her first child was born in October, 1874; her second in October, 1875, and her third in November, 1876.

The publication of the *New Century*—the bright little paper issued from the woman's department of the Centennial—is to be continued; and an organization called the Woman's Centennial League is to be formed, with the various Centennial Committees and the exhibitors in the Woman's Pavilion as a nucleus.

The unfortunate ex-Empress Charlotte of Mexico, who at present is cared for in a castle near Brussels, is or pretends to be perfectly oblivious of everything and every body around her, and holds conversations only with imaginary persons. When the Belgian King and Queen visit her she first gazes at them distractedly and then turns her back to them. Her distaste to society is so great that she will not even permit her maid to dress her. Her memory regarding some things is, nevertheless, remarkable. On certain days she orders her bath to be got ready; this she does by writing an order on a slip of paper, and laying it where it will be seen; if her request is not attended to, the order will be repeated in the same manner and attention called to the neglect.

A Revival Incident.

Those of our readers who have constantly attended the Moody meetings at the Tabernacle will remember the recital by the great revivalist of the story of a man who had robbed his employer of some \$8,000 and fled to this city. Through the mysterious workings of Providence the man strolled into the Tabernacle, where he became fascinated with Mr. Moody's description of the willingness of Christ to save the most hardened sinner. At the conclusion of the service he remained rooted, as it were, to his seat. One of the ushers, thinking that he was under conviction, bade him go to the inquiry-room, where he was taken in hand by Mr. Moody, to whom he confessed his crime and the circumstances which led to its commission. Mr. Moody talked with him, prayed with him, and begged him to return and restore what he had left of his employer's property. His appeal to the man's better instincts was not without effect. He promised to return the next day. At a subsequent meeting Mr. Moody informed the congregation that he had received a letter from the wretched man, in which he stated that he felt satisfied that Christ had pardoned him, and henceforward he should lead an exemplary life. A letter received here yesterday from Akron, O., brings the intelligence that the man, whose name is San Jose Bauman, had returned to that town and confessed his crime; that he had placed \$3,000 in the hands of a lawyer to be returned to the defrauded employer; that he had been sentenced to a brief imprisonment, and that influential friends were working to obtain his pardon. The Akron papers make quite a sensation of the affair, and acknowledge that in one instance, at least, the Moody revival has been productive of good results.—*Chicago Tribune*.

An Accommodating Hotel Clerk.

Scene I.—French's Hotel. Time, mid-day. Fat hotel clerk, smiling, and brushing his diamond stud with a feather. Enter young man in a hurry. He writes on the register, "John Green, Harrisburg, Pa."

Young Man—I shall take a room this evening. Some bundles may be sent here for me this afternoon. If the charges are not more than \$5, pay them.

Exit young man in a hurry. Clerk still bows and continues to brush his diamond stud with a feather.

Scene II.—Time, one hour later.—Enter a small boy with heavy oblong package. He struggles up to hotel counter, and says: "A bundle for Mr. Green. The charges are \$3.50."

Clerk drops his feather, and permits the diamond to dazzle the small boy's eyes. Then he takes the bundle, and pays the small boy \$3.50.

Scene III.—Time, following day.—Fat clerk scratches his head with the feather and thinks of Mr. Green and the small boy, and the \$3.50. Then he opens the oblong bundle and discovers a brickbat in a paper box, with a note, saying: "This is the best Russian clay I could find."

Clerk exclaims, "Godelmitz," and the proprietor of the hotel debits him with \$3.50.—*New York Sun*.

Children in China.

Chinese women bear no for children, and they proper that blind or should be killed. Se little girl was sick w when she got well it eye-sight was gone. the first to say that she oug, ed, and day by day the har woman talked to her husband in manner until he consented to get rid the child. He called the little thing him one day and took her out for walk, with the intention of leaving h in a thicket either to starve or to l eaten by wolves. When near the sp where he was to abandon her, he co cluded that he could not be so cruel a helpless little one, and straightway r turned home with the child. T mother was sorely disappointed to me the two again, but the father said I would rather labor twice as hard for livelihood and save the child's life. T mother had to submit, and now the g is 15 years of age, and has learned to so many things that there will be i trouble in getting her a husband.

The Approved Method of Running tl Outrage Mill.

The approved style of manufacturing ou rages at the South was well told in yeste day's *Post* by Dr. Redfield, in his letter the Cincinnati *Commercial*. To begin wit a parish that was sure to go Democratic a way was let wholly alone; that is, the R publicans were bidden to stay away fro the polls altogether. That is intimidation. Then the registrar manages to be out sight at the time appointed for registrati and he is a Kellogg man of course. Fin ly, the registrar, to make matters ver co vining, hangs up his coat on the lim of tree and shoots bullet-holes throug edges. He also fires straight at a bla book and a file of letters in the brea pocket, to show what it was that sav ed life. This is the way they get at an "est count" in Louisiana, and really exp to set us all to fighting at the North in der to back up their silly rogueries. fellows need a treadmill more than any er kind of Returning Board.—*Boston*

Body-finding is a regular t Paris. The authorities pay 10 for every body recovered fr Seine, and money derived f source is no inconsiderable a the revenues of the waterm

A REPUBLICAN PROTEST.

Horace White, Formerly Editor of the Chicago Tribune, Denounces the Louisiana Returning Board Conspiracy.—He Says It Means the Abrogation of all Popular Elections.—He Advises Hayes Not to be Deceived by Such a Monstrous Fraud.

To the Editor of the Chicago Tribune: Any result of the pending Presidential election which shall be reached without harm to the processes under which our elections are held and our institutions maintained will not only be acquiesced in by the people, but welcomed by the larger portion of both political parties. Any result which shall be reached by undermining those processes will be fraught with peril to the country and will bring condign punishment upon the party guilty of so grave a crime.

Among the processes by which our institutions are maintained, the most important is that of frequent popular elections, and the most important of all is the Presidential election. We are now brought for the first time to a state of facts which threatens to substitute, in place of popular elections, a Returning Board. This is a threatened subversion of the processes by which our institutions are maintained, in comparison with which the election of Hayes or Tilden is of no consequence. Whether Hayes or Tilden is elected, the people can, within four years, resume their prerogative of choosing another President, provided the process of declaring their choice has not been tampered with. They can correct any errors that may have been committed meanwhile by Hayes or Tilden, should the system of popular election remain. But if the process has been tampered with, and the system itself undermined, then any thing may happen. The American Republic may become as unstable, and properly here as insecure and social disorder as unbearable, as in Mexico or Venezuela.

We are told that the interference of a Returning Board in Louisiana is necessary on account of the intimidation of voters. It is precisely this interference which I challenge as a subversion of the processes by which our institutions are maintained. It is proposed to throw out the vote of A B because C D is supposed to have intimidated E F! It is only necessary to make this the rule hereafter and to secure its general adoption, in order to dispense with elections entirely and to substitute in their places the views of thirty-seven Returning Boards. Intimidation will become the only element of any value in politics. Instead of discussing civil service, the currency, the last war, or the next one, the office-seeking class will confine themselves wholly to intimidation. Intimidation will multiply like the grasshoppers, and in a short time ravage the whole land.

What is intimidation? It is a word of very broad scope. It embraces every thing from the fear of death to the loss of social position. It opens the door to every species of degradation that can be conceived in politics, from individual cowardice to combined perjury. And over all it places an arbitrary and irresponsible tribunal to weigh the cowardice and to gauge the perjury, from whose judgments there is no appeal, not even to the people themselves. After A B and other honest citizens have cast their votes and gone about their business, C D and E F confederate together, to intimidate and the other to be intimidated, with a view to vitating the election; that is, to disfranchise all the honest voters in the precinct. Why not? That is the logic of the new system of carrying elections by intimidation.

I assert that there is no way to throw out, on the score of intimidation, the votes of legal voters duly polled, that does not admit and invite this species of rascality. Is there any mode of electioneering so inexpensive and certain as this? Is there any mode so likely to become popular with the class who live by politics? Is there any mode which so clearly and completely subverts the processes of popular elections or which so directly attacks the foundations of our Government? But, say some, it can not possibly spread. It is too absurd and contemptible to find lodgment among the superior classes of the State.

Let us see, then, how it is to spread. On our arrival here, in casting about for approach to the officials who control the election, we discovered that they were all Republican party men; the Governor had appointed none but Republican Supervisors of Elections, and that the returning officers constituting the State Board were of the same political school. Influenced by these inauspicious surroundings, our thoughts and hopes were turned toward the eminent gentlemen who have been selected by the President to be present and see that the Board of Canvassers made a fair count of the votes actually cast, and on the 4th of November we invited these gentlemen to meet and confer with us.

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mistake in my conception of Gov. Hayes, if he is the man to walk into the White House over any slippery and doubtful road. It is painful to hear this question discussed, as though it were a contest between two candidates for Alderman in the Ninth Ward. It is painful to read that because a Vermont Elector was a village Postmaster, therefore the people of Vermont are to be partially disfranchised; that because a North Carolina Elector was a Commissioner to the Centennial Exposition, therefore North Carolina is to lose a part of her voice in the national election; that since the twenty-second joint rule has not been re-enacted by the present Congress, therefore the presiding officer of the Senate may declare any body elected whom he chooses. Of course the forms of law must be respected, but these are all piddling objections that will be swept out of the way like autumn leaves by the breath of the people when they have the opportunity to pass their opinions upon them. You might as well attempt to oppose the law of gravitation by witchcraft as to settle this disputed Presidency by mere legal conundrums.

Are there no dangers confronting us? We have seen two Governors and two Legislatures at work in Louisiana at the same time, two Legislatures in Alabama, two in Arkansas, and two now in South Carolina. The spectacle of two Presidents and two Congresses would not be an edifying one, but it would not be a long step in advance of what we have already witnessed. Stress is laid on the fact that Gen. Grant will not be Hayes duly inaugurated. The only form of inauguration known to the law is for the newly elected President to take an oath to support the constitution of the United States, and this he can do before any person authorized by law to administer oaths, and when he has taken it, Gen. Grant can not inaugurate him or disinaugurate him any further. I am not one of those who think that the present financial crisis is due to political causes, but I can see that the disorder, confusion and uncertainty growing out of a double-barreled Government would produce far greater depression in business than any thing we have experienced since the panic of 1873.

The Republican party is ready to adopt intimidation as an element in politics, and to substitute the judgment of Returning Boards in place of votes legally polled. It is a worse party than I supposed when I joined the Liberal movement in 1872. I do not think so badly of it as this. I think that all the present fuss is due to the anxiety of office-holders for their places, for which the great mass of the party have no sympathy, but, on the contrary, are well grounded in contempt. Accepting its defeat in a manly way, if it is defeated by a true count of the votes legally polled, the Republican party has a fair prospect of returning to power four years hence. At all events, it will be in a position to take advantage of the errors and shortcomings of its adversary. But, crawling into the Presidency over the ruin and subversion of the process of popular elections, it will be annihilated. It has already received its death blow as its wisest leaders can with difficulty repair.

HORACE WHITE.

THE LOUISIANA CONSPIRACY.

The Statement of Six Gentlemen Whose Word Will be Taken Quite as Readily as That of Messrs. Sherman, Garfield & Co.

NEW ORLEANS, December 1.

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